



WEST LA DEMOCRATIC CLUB  
APPLICATION FOR CONSIDERATION OF ENDORSEMENT  
AND CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE

CHERYL TURNER

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that I am a registered Democrat and that the statements in this document and those in any attachments are true and correct. If any part of this application or any information provided during the endorsement process is found to be false, it may be cause for an immediate revocation of any endorsement. I understand that my application is available to any WLADC member upon request.

Cheryl Turner  
Signature of Candidate  
Print Full Name  
May 17, 2022  
Date

Name of Candidate: Cheryl Turner Name of Office Sought / District/Seat Number: State Senate, District 28

Candidate Questionnaire

In order to focus on specific questions pertaining to the office you are seeking, please provide written answers to the questions below (please use a separate page if necessary):

- Statement of Viability – 250 words or less  
There is one Republican in the race with Republicans representing 7% of the voting population. There are 4 Democrats. Since there is a general election scheduled, we are expecting that 2 will advance since there are no incumbents in this election. I am the most well-known of the candidates having tested the waters running before in the prior special election for this seat. None of the other candidates have any prior political experience. I have had business management, political advocacy, legal, and statewide public commissioner experience and I am most familiar with the district, its stakeholders and constituents.
- What are your top issues?  
Housing and Homelessness: Developing strategies building workforce and more affordable housing near transit while protecting the integrity of neighborhoods. The creation of public housing for the homeless. Extensions of Emergency Rental Assistance Program.  
Public Safety Including Civil and Criminal Justice Reform, Protecting our Environment.
- How much do you expect your campaign to cost? How much money have you raised? How do you plan to fund the rest of your budget?  
\$150,000 for the primary. Approximately \$75,000.
- Who do you see as your main opponents in this election?  
The other candidates are: Lola Smallwood Cuevas, Joe Lizzuzo, Jamaal Gullege, Kamila Moore.
- What are the top three (3) items you expect to accomplish at the completion of your first term of office, if elected?

Homeless/Housing: Authorizing Government to Build Housing for the Homeless; and Incentives for Affordable Housing Construction. Extension of COVID-19 Recovery Relief to keep Tenants and Homeowners Housed, Utilities Paid, Businesses Open to Support Job Creation; and Funding Support for Schools  
Public Safety and Criminal Justice Reform  
Addressing Climate Change with Funding for Electric Charging Stations, Water Recycling and Addressing Oil Rig Issues

6. Please list your top five (5) individual and organizational endorsements.

Senator Diane E. Watson, Senator Nate Holden, Mayor Emma Sharif, Los Angeles Sustainability Coalition, Apartment Association of Southern California

7. How long have you been a registered Democrat? Have you been registered as a member of another political party? If so, which party and why?

I have been registered as a Democrat since I first registered to vote.

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8. Please list any Democratic clubs and/or organizations with which you are a member, including the length of your membership and any leadership position you have held in each Democratic club and/or organization.

West L.A. Democratic Club, New Frontier Democratic Club-Lifetime Member and Former Trustee, Black Women's Democratic Club-Founding Member, San Pedro Democratic Club

9. Please list any organizations with which you are a member, including the length of your membership and any leadership position you have held in each organization.

FAME Redevelopment Corporation-Executive Board Member, 8 years, LAAAWPC-Member –about 5 years, Apartment Association of Southern California-President of the Board of Directors 20 years, Chair of the State Legislation and Legal Committees, Community Mobilization Team-General Counsel- 3 years, NAACP-Outside Community Counsel-3 years

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10. Please feel free to include any other information you would like us to know about you.

I am a civil rights, environmental and consumer rights attorney with a demonstrated history of public service especially with the underserved in our community. I am familiar with the challenges experienced by small businesses since I have had the experience of running my own small business. I am the candidate that is most familiar with the issues and concerns of the various communities that make up our district since I have always attended school, lived here and worked in the district. I have a long history of advocacy in Sacramento working to promote consumer rights, healthcare, education, criminal and civil justice reform and fair housing laws which makes me ready to step into the Seat seat. As a lawyer, I have helped this community by protecting the right to vote, advocating for clean air by representing this area before the South Coast Air Quality Management District, fighting against the release of toxic pesticides into the environment, providing affordable housing, fighting in court for law enforcement accountability against their use of excessive force; arguing for fairness in criminal sentencing guidelines and for second chances for those who evidenced their rehabilitation; protecting the rights of students to fair access to education; and by advocating for the right to jobs on public works projects being built within our community. I intend to use all of those experiences, my determination and commitment to work with you to promote transparency, keep you informed and create a healthier, safer community.